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As it was fully 20 miles to the house

cided to start out at an earlier hour

than he had at first intended, for this

would enable him to advance slowly

and spare the horses for the return

So when Roblin reached the glade

where the bandits had gathered he found them already mounted for the

march. Claudius turned upon him sav-

agely.
"What! Must we be kept waiting

while ye make love, varlet? Fall in the

ranks, sir, and see that ye behave with

"All ready, men? Forward!"

Then turning to his men he shouted.

There was a rattling of arms, a tram-

pling of hoofs, a prancing and wheeling of horses as the bandits formed in line

of march and the cavalcade cantered

two by two from the glade. Placing

himself at its head. Claudius Smith led

the way into a broad bridle path that

wound through the forest and proceed

ed for about a mile at a rapid gait

As they descended lower and lower

At last they reached the base of the

mountains and struck into an unfre-

quented byroad which ran in a norther

ly direction. Here they again formed

two by two and proceeded at a canter until they reached a little spring that

ismounted, partook of a hasty repast

spirit!"

horses at a walk.

What a race! The train was just pulling out of Englewood, puffing and panting with its mighty efforts. As it slowly gained speed it came on a lot of tow headed children roosting on a fence, who shouted and waved as the cars came up, and then, as if with a common impulse, every child leaped to the ground and began a race with the train. The race was of short duration. As the



machine left the panting little runners behind, a gray haired onlooker smiling sadly remarked: "Young America all over. Nothing too swift for them to race against." "Yes, you couldn't find a fitter exemplification of the familiar saying, 'The child is the father of the man' than in that group of children racing against the train. It's but a preliminary heat of the great race their parents are engaged in. As a physician I realize as perhaps you do not," he continued, "the erroneous change that fifty years have made in our national life. People point back to grandmothers and greatgrandmothers and say

they laughed.

"To-day, as men and women, millions of us do in earnest what those children did in play; we're keyed up to the straining point all the time, and the nerves won't stand the daily strains and drains without protest."

There is a ton of solid fact to reflect on, suggested by the statement just quoted. What are we going to do? This is the age of steam, the age of electricity. We must keep up in

THE GREAT RACE.

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to strengthen the body through the blood and every ounce of new blood and pure blood counts against disease.

blood counts against disease.

"It was near the little town of Leroy, W. V. and during the month of March, 1856, that young man lay pale and motionless upon (whe the neighbors called) his dying bed. Diseas of the lungs, liver complaint, kidney trouble and pleurisy were fast hastening him to the grave. The doctors had given him up to did the neighbors said, 'he cannot live.' 'Oh, would not care to die,' he said, 'were it not fo leaving my dear wife and little child, but 't now that I must die.' A brother had preented him with three bottles of medicine, but the had no faith in 'patent medicines'; but, fer the doctors had given him up to die and he ad banished every hope of recovery, he said to is wife, 'Dear wife, I am going to die, there us he no harm now in taking that medicine. Will begin its use at once.' He did begin to e it and at first he grew worse, but soon there me a change. Slowly but surely he got better. day that man is strong and healthy and he es his life to that medicine. What was the edicine? It was Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical koovery, and I, Luther Martin, am the cured n. Dr. Pierce, I thank you from the very th of my heart, for rescuing me from the ve." The foregoing is from Luther Martin, ... a prominent citizen of Lubec, Wood Co., Va. for rest and refreshment. The bandits and after watering their horses at the spring and quenching their own thirst with copious drafts of spirits from their canteens sprang into the saddle again and resumed their journey.

About 10 in the evening they struck into a highway that wound along the base of Shawangunk mountain. Then

the command for silence passed from lip to lip, and they advanced with extreme caution until they came in sight of a great stone farmhouse which stood at the right of the road. The shutters were all closed, and it was evident that the inmates were sleeping. Roblin rec-ognized it at once as the home of Caleb Shurker, and his heart beat quickly with a desire for vengeance. Captain Smith now called a halt and

began a brief whispered consultation with his officers. Roblin was about to araw near to listen to the discussion when it was rudely interrupted by the urious barking of a dog. The faithful animal had been sleeping on the porch of the dwelling and, awakened by the approach of the Tories, now came bounding into the road, making the welkin ring with deep mouthed warn-

"Blarst the cur!" exclaimed the Tor chieftain, with an oath. Then, turning quickly to his men, he bawled out hoarsely: "Surround the house, lads and let no one escape. Be quick!"

The bandits immediately put spur to their horses and in a few seconds had formed a complete cordon around the dwelling. Roblin had taken his station before the front door with an idea of taking an active part in the propose attack, but while he was gazing fiercey up at the windows, gloating in an ticipation of his approaching revenge, an incident occurred which completely swept away every evil purpose from his

He saw one of the shutters on the second story open cautiously and heard a familiar voice call out in frightened

"What would you have, friends?" It was the voice of Zadie, not as he emembered it of yore, when it was usical with the happiness it expressed, but plaintive, subdued and indescrib ably mournful. It touched him deep-A flood of tender recollections over whelmed him, and he resolved then and here to protect his old sweetheart from

While this sudden revolution was taking place in his heart Claudius Smith approached-the window and called up to the girl in tones of mock po-"Good evening, Mrs. Shurker! Pardon me for disturbing yer rest, but I

would like to have a few words with Zadie left the window and withdrey into the apartment and a short time afterward the shutter was flung wide

"Well, what do ye want of me?" asked, in a quavering voice. The outlaw threw off his mask of civil-

"What do I want with yer" ne she reached the foot of the range. There while do I want with yet he whiled, mimicking the old man's tre-ble. Then, suddenly changing his tone to a deep roar, he shouted. "Open the door, ye old rascal, and let me and my brave lade in."

The old man disappeared from the window like a flash, slamming the shutter to behind him, and the next instant a rattling of bolts could be heard as they were hastily driven into their sock-"Ho, ho!" cried Claudius, stamping

his foot with rage. "So it's to be an assault?" Then, turning toward his men with a gesture of command, he bawled "Advance, my lads! Batter down the door! Smash in the windows! Make holes in the walls! Tear the house to pieces! But get at the old variet and drag him out of his hole."

In obedience to his commands th Tories sprang from their horses and rushed toward the building like a pack of hungry wolves. Some hurled them-selves against the door, others endeavored to force open the shutters, while one or two, more venturesome than the rest, climbed the pillars of the verands and attempted to enter the hous through the windows of the second Caleb Shurker, Claudius Smith de-

Among those who chose the latte way of gaining access to the interior was Edward Roblin, for even while the Tory chief was bawling his command he had fixed upon a plan of action. It was to get into the house before th outlaws, call upon the inmates to follow him into the attic, barricade the stairs leading thither and resist to the last gasp.

Reaching the roof of the veranda be

fore the others, he ran quickly from window to window, picking at the shutters with his saber. It was in vain. They were all firmly bolted on the inside and could not be budged from their

He cast a glance upward. A row of dormer windows projected from the sloping roof, and he observed that one of them was open. If he could only reach the roof he could easily make his way into the building through that passage. But the roof was too high ap to be gained.

Then the path narrowed and the men In the meantime the men who ha fell in single line, picking their way climbed with him upon the veranda had along a rugged descent with their lescended to the ground again, and he was alone. He was on the point of imitating their example when his glance along the mountain side the sun dropchanced to fall upon the crescent shaped ped from view and gradually the twi-light deepened. It grew darker and darker. One by one the stars appeared holes which had been cut through the shutters for ventilating purposes. There were two of these perforations—one in the lower and the other in the upper through openings in the trees overhead. and at last it became difficult for the panel of each shutter. By inserting his hand and feet in these apertures it was men to descry each other in the deeppossible for an active man to raise himelf to the roof.

It was a hazardous feat to attempt but Roblin determined to undertake it Selecting a shutter underneath the winmusket over his shoulder and thrust gushed from the side of a precipice. At this place Claudius Smith called a halt his fingers and toes into the holes. Then, exerting all his strength, he raised himself up toward the gutter. Twice were his efforts baffled, but the third endeavor proved successful. He managed to get a firm hold on the gutter and

swing himself up to the roof.

He was just in time, for at the moment he was passing through the window the front door gave way with a crash, and the Tories rushed howling into the hall. Indeed, so far as carrying out his original intention was con cerned, he was too late, but he might still save Zadie if he made haste. So he rushed frantically about the attic, searching in the darkness for the stairs eading down into the house.

Suddenly he heard a rush of footsteps apon the stairs, and, running in the diection of the sounds, he arrived at the ead of the flight just in time to catch Zadie in his arms as she reached the attic and fainted. Taking a firm hold n her limp form, he carried her back nto the loft and laid her gently upon the floor. Then he returned to the stairs and, placing his musket and saber within reach, mounted guard at the entrance to the attic.

CHAPTER VIII. POLLY'S DESPERATE RIDE.

Shortly after the departure of the bandits Polly put on her cloak and connet and stole cautiously out of the eavern. Two Tories were mounting guard on the platform outside, but they nerely raised their eyes as she passed them and made no attempt to stop her t was evident that so far Richard Smith had proved as good as his word and that he guards were acting under

The sun had not yet sunk behind the nountains when she reached the clearing where the horse was awaiting her. She found the animal tethered to a tree near by and, taking it by the bridle. led it through the bushes to the trail There she mounted and proceeded as fast as the rugged way would allow to ward the valley. At first the necessity of advancing cautiously was a sore trial

"Oh, why can I not ride faster?" she "The Tories are already on their way to plunder the Shurkers, and I have not a second to spare if I would bring them assistance.

Then she remembered that the band had started off without their supper and that it was not likely they would attack their victims until late in the

"They will stop to eat." she mused, and will undoubtedly delay their attempt until late at night. At all events I will soon reach the foot of the mountains and can then ride as fast as This reflection served to console her

and she became reconciled to her snail like pace. As she was a skillful horse woman the steenness of the descent which at times was dangerously abrupt did not appall her in the least. The aniopen and an old man leaned out of the mal she rode was accustomed to the rough trails of the mountains and clambered down the precipitous incline with sure and cautious strides.

Twilight was beginning to fall when

their leader called one of the men nis side and said:

fast as ye can and tell the old man that he's wanted. Tell him to fetch the two lads along, and then take the short cut through the woods to the Shawan runk road, where ye'll find us awaiting

ntently and then dashed off upon his errand at a furious gallop. Shortly aftrward Luke Harding appeared upor the road, mounted on a spirited mare and armed to the teeth. As he took his place in the company their leader called out:

of his charger, he turned back along the turnpike and led the way toward the place of rendezvous.

she turned into a highway that branch-ed off from the trail and urged her when at last they arrived at the spring norse to a gallop. As Goshen was too appointed as the meeting place their ar distant to admit of riding there for nccor she determined to scour the While waiting for the Hasbroucks to roads in the neighborhood of the mounrains and arouse the whole region to as- a chance to recuperate and on resumsist her. But as the country here was ing the desperate race were almost as but sparsely settled she realized that fresh as when they started.

Now, it chancel that Polly had observed the remains of the Tories' suping forward and patting the glossy neck per in the bushes around the spring of her steed; "you must do your best for me tonight." and the hoof prints of their for me tonight."

Then she drew a whip from the saddle and plied it to the animal's flanks.

where they had stooped to drink from it. These telltale signs informed her that Claudius Smith had already passed And now began that furious ride which that way, and realizing that only speed could avail now she dashed once more is still preserved in the traditions of into the lead.

The gallant horse responded nobly to Polly's urging and dashed forward at "Wake up, friends," she sh increased speed. On, on they flew. through forests, fields and swamp

second to spare. Her companions greeted these word with suppressed exclamations of approval, and bending low over their horses' necks swept after her like a

appeared along the way. Polly began time? The sequel will show. [To Be Continued.] "Can it be possible." she thought.
"that no people inhabit this country?"
Just then she arrived at a turn in IT IS AN OCTOPUS. the road and uttered a little cry of delight. For a few rods ahead could be seen a cluster of dwellings, with smoke curling up from their chimneys. The buildings were only log huts, but this in itself was encouraging, for it indi-

espond to her call. As Polly galloped furiously into the settlement she aroused all the dogs to yelping, so that when she drew rein the nhabitants came running from their houses alarmed by the disturbance they

cated that their owners were stout

hearted pioneers, who would hasten to

she must ride like the wind.

the region.

"Come, old fellow," she said, bend

ands, up hill and down, trailing

cloud of dust behind and awaking the

echoes in the neighboring hills with the

sound of hoof beats. For mile after mile

this furious gait was maintained, and

yet not the sign of a human habitation

"What is it, gal?" cried a burly frontiersman excitedly. "Have the Injuns come over the mountains?" "No, not that." panted Pcar. "but something far worse. Oh. if you be true men arm yourselves and mount your horses at once, for a neighbor

stands in need of your aid.' By this time eight sturdy fellows were gathered round her, with a circle of gaping women and children in the

"A neighbor in trouble?" asked their pokesman. "Then tell us his plight. ass, and we'll stand by him." "He's to be robbed and murdered." cried Polly. "Oh. make haste or it will

Then, seeing the men still looke questioningly at her, she added "Claudius Smith and his gang are o their way to Caleb Shurker's to make

him surrender his hoard.

This announcement had an electrify ing effect upon the men. "Claudius Smith on another of hi raids, d'ye say? The robber! The mur-

And with these exclamations of rage they hurried away to prepare them selves for action. Accustomed as they were to respond to sudden alarms, the men of this border settlement were not ong in making ready for the road. Within a few minutes after the mes ride to Caleb Shurker's rescue, and, placing herself at their head, Polly continued her journey.

She had now eight men with which

to oppose 20 outlaws. Conscious of the inadequacy of this force, she turned to asked as she galloped by his side: "Do you know where we can find

other true men to join us?" "Let me think a bit!" he answered knitting his brows. "There's Simo Bevier, that lives three miles from here near the Goshen pike, and there's Luke Harding, about a mile further on, and then ye'll find no living creetur ontil ye strikes Hasbrouck's, on the Minnisink trail, whar thar's old man Jones and

his sons, Tom and Isaac." "And do you think these join us?" asked Polly eagerly "To be sure they will." was the re

"Then do you lead the way," cried, "and ride at full speed, for time

So the frontiersman placed himsel at the head of the galloping troop and called upon his comrades to quicken their speed. After following the road for about a mile they branched off into the woods and disappeared among the advanced and they lost sight of one annouse of Simon Bevier.

in their company, they dashed on once of Luke Harding. While they were by turning down all politicians who awaiting his preparations to join them resort to such methods.

"Ride over to Hasbrouck's, Seth. as

ye at the spring."
Seth listened to these instruction

"Now, my lads, forward!" And, digging his heals into the flanks

It was fortunate for Polly that the horse Richard Smith had provided her was possessed with great powers of endurance, for the pace was so terrific that otherwise she must have dropped behind her companions. For mile after horses were well nigh exhausted. come up, however, the poor beasts had

citedly. "Ride for your very lives. The Tories are ahead of us, and we've not a |

Did they arrive at the Shurkers' in

Earnings of the Standard Oil Trust Greater in Value Than All the Farm Products of Ohio.

In his examination before the National Industrial Commission at Washington, Tuesday, Attorney General Standard Oil Trust was \$121,000,000, which John D. Rockefeller controlled the majority; he said the gross receipts per year, were \$120,000,000 in Ohio, valuation greater than that of all the farm products of the State; that it controlled from 90 to 97 per cent, of the crude oil product of the State, and fixed its price; and that the State should compel railroads to stop rebates to the Trust or forfeit their charters He repudiated the idea that the Standard reduced the price of oil.

ANOTHER PIONEER GONE.

Isaac Inskeep, a life long resident of all the farm products of the State. Zane township, who was seventy-two At the afternoon session of the com years and some months old, was laid to rest in the Middleburg cemetery, May 14. He was brought up, always lived, and died, within a half mile of where a discussion of the charge that the he was born, and by all who knew him Standard Oil Company had been guilty was highly respected. He became a of attempt at bribery to prevent judi-member of the Masonic order in 1854 cial investigation, as that matter was and in every respect was a model adherent to the tenets of the order. The Ohio Supreme Court. These proceedfuneral services were largely attended by the brethren there being about one hundred and fifty present—several being from a distance. Among them, were: Walter Roebuck, Capt. J. D. Inskeep, Wesley Southard, T. J. Hellings, Oran Outland, G. Garwood and W. E. Sloan, senger's arrival they were prepared to of Belleiontaine. There were also brethren from North Lewisburg, Ray-Rev. Webster, of East Liberty, con- his employer's operations to the Standducted the services in a very impressive and company. Also the company had manner and as we stood by the open its "buzzards" everywhere. These the leader of the frontiersmen and grave, with bated breath, we realized were appointed to follow the wagons of that death is no respecter of persons.

> "The Republican State Convention should give attention to Ohio affairs in its platform. It should declare against trusts, should take an emphatic stand against the selection of state delegates by county committees, and should declare in favor of a general primary election law under which primaries of all parties are held on the same day the means of transportation it was not

adoption by the Convention would be Standard company was entitled to credit just so much hypocrisy. Two years for the reduction of the prices of oil. ago, the State Convention adopted a believing this reduction to be due enresolution declaring that thereafter no tirely to other agencies. delegates should be appointed by com- Referring to the necessity of controlmittees, and the present State Central ling the transportation agencies as the Committee in issuing its call for the available remedy for the evils of which coming convention, ruled against the he complained, Mr. Monnett said that appointment of any more delegates by no course could be too severe, if noth-Executive or Central Committees; but ing less would produce the desired reother in the darkness; but, with an in- a majority of the Convention when it sult. The state has the remedy of destinct that was unerring, the frontiers meets will be constituted of delegates priving the railroad companies of their men made their way rapidly along a selected by party bosses and appointed charters, and this should be resorted winding bridle path until they emerged upon the Goshen turnpike close to the to adopt a resolution condemning the fairly. Having enlisted this stanch patriot appointing of delegates by committees more until they came to the log cabin people will have to provide a remedy against the brewers, the tobacco, and

THE STANDARD OIL TRUST.

All Over Four Cents a Gallon on The Company's Earnings Greater in Value Than the State's Farm Products,

Washington, May 16 .- Attorney General Frank S. Monnett, of Ohio, was before the industrial commission to-day as a witness in the trust investigation His testimony related almost exclusively to the Standard Oil trust, against which he has been proceeding in his official capacity in Ohio.

After detailing the particulars of the suit against the Standard Company brought on behalf of the State of Ohio, Mr. Monnett said the companies comprising the trust were so distributed as to control all the operations pertaining to the production, transportation, refining and delivery of the products of the oil wells in Ohio, including even its own telegraph system. Referring to this telegraph line Mr. Monnett said it had been developed that it was exchanging business with the Western Union Company, acting as a common carrier and making a cheaper rate to the constituent members of the trust than to other customers, questions which were outside the corporate authority of the trust. He also complained of the discrimination in railroad rates in favor of the Standard company tank lines, saying that it was equal to 400 per cent against the ordinary citizen.

Mr. Monnett gave the figures showing that the capitalization of the twenty ompanies comprising the trust amount ed in the aggregate to \$102,233,000, and the valuation \$121,631,000. He said the trust could make its dividends whatever it desired, as it controlled completely the retail price of oil.

Mr. Monnett told of the distribution of the stock of the trust, saying that the trustees held 486,280 of the 700,000 shares, and that John D. Rockefeller, as chairman of the trustees, held a majority of the stock thus distributed, giving him the balance of power, making practically a one-man power. Mr. Monnett said the original value of the plant of the trust was \$79,250,000, but this figure should now be multiplied by

Mr. Monnett insisted that the way to control the trusts was to control the courts could not do this the charters of the roads should be taken from them.

"The Attorney General of New Jersey could secure a regulation of this di crimination within sixty days, if he would take it in hand," said the wit-

Speaking of the earnings of the oil trust, Mr. Monnett estimated that the gross receipts were \$120,000,000 a year on the Ohio product alone, and he said that all was profit over four cents a gallon on refined oil. He placed the value of the earnings of the company per year as greater than the value of

mission Mr. Monnett said in response at present under investigation by the ings doubtless would bring out all the facts, and later he would supply the data to the commission. He could, however, testify to the fact that the company had secured the services of railroad agents all over the country to report upon the movements of their rivals, and he knew of one instance in which the clerk of a rival concern had nonds, Pottersburg and other places. been employed to supply the details of

the rivals and secure data upon which the company could operate. When rivals were driven out of a field by reducing rates, the prices immediately went up.

Mr. Monnett said he understood that the Standard Oil Company controlled from 90 to 97 per cent of the crude oil necessary that it should take the oil And after the Convention has done out of the rock. The company was thus all that, what will it amount to? The independent of well owners. He did suggestions are all good, but their not agree with the statement that the

In conclusion Mr. Monnett said that would be for it to condemn itself. The suits had been begun in the Ohio courts tin plate trusts, and also against the | Central Traffic Association.

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